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Secretary Gassman Recognizes Community Members at North Central Wisconsin Workforce Development Board Excellence Awards Ceremony

Wausau – Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development Secretary Roberta Gassman today presented awards to five individuals and organizations for outstanding achievement in supporting economic development. The awards were presented at the North Central Wisconsin Workforce Development Board's Annual Excellence Awards Ceremony held at the Northcentral Technical College.

"The companies, organizations and individuals recognized today have contributed to the economic well-being of this region, either through their hiring practices, collaborating with local leaders to meet the needs of the region, or in personal efforts to obtain skills and gain economic self-sufficiency," said Secretary Gassman.

Recognized were:

- Marcia Christiansen of Forward Service Corporation for her leadership and work with the North Central Wisconsin Workforce Development Board to develop strategic policies to spark economic growth in the region.
- President Ron Klimisch, Wausau Supply, for hiring Northcentral Technical College graduates and participating in interview skills training for students.
- Tom Radtke, Forward Service Corporation for his work connecting job seekers and employers.
- Roberta Thomas of Wausau, a single mother of four who overcame extensive hurdles, completed her GED and went on to receive an Associate Degree in Accounting from Northcentral Technical College. Thomas is currently employed full-time.
- Carolyn Michalski, Northcentral Technical College, for her work to address workforce and training needs in the community.

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